SUBJECT No. 125.

Irrigation by pumps.

Mr. K. Subba Rao, Chitaldrug District Board.

Summary of discussion.—Wherever facilities for pumping water by means of machinery exist in the Madras Presidency, the Government are supplying water for irrigation by those means and levy water rate. There are many villages in the Mysore State which, though near to the rivers and other sources of water, have not the conveniences of irrigation. In such villages, the system may kindly be introduced.

Reply of Government.—Under consideration.

SUBJECT No. 126.

Appointment of trained Tank-Inspectors.

Messrs. Seenappa and Appaiya, Bagepalli taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Some tank-inspectors have no idea of the levelling instruments and are quite incompetent. Request that competent men be appointed.

Reply of Government.—A scheme for improving the staff engaged in the restoration of minor tanks is under consideration.

SUBJECT No. 127.

Horse allowance to channel *manegars*.

Mr. Ramaswamiengar, Hassan taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Channel *manegars* are usually put in charge of channels from three to twenty miles in length. Except in times of danger to channels in their charge, these *manegars* do not inspect them. With a view to make them inspect the channels constantly and thereby facilitate the easy and early disposal of the raiyats' complaints, the *manegars* may be required to maintain ponies for which a horse allowance of not less than Rs. 7 per mensem may be sanctioned. It is ascertained that *manegars* in the Kadur District are given horse allowance.

Reply of Government.—Will be referred to the Deputy Commissioner of the Hassan District for report regarding the channels with regard to which the payment of horse allowance is necessary.

SUBJECT No. 128.

Confirmation of revenue sales.

Messrs. Revanasidda, Gurulingappa and Halappa, Honnali taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The purchasers at sales for arrears of revenue are required to deposit one-fourth of the sale amount forthwith, and pay the balance within fifteen days from the date of sale. The purchasers are put to heavy loss if sales are not confirmed early, as they cannot enter upon and cultivate the lands taken up by them in sales. They are also made liable for the assessment from the date of sale. It is prayed that a period may be fixed within which final orders may be passed regarding the confirmation or otherwise of revenue sales, so that the sale purchasers may not be made liable for the assessment on lands accruing after the date of sale, in case it is not confirmed within that period.

Reply of Government.—If the land is not delivered into the purchasers' possession before the commencement of the cultivation season, and it can not therefore be cultivated, instructions will be issued not to levy the kandayam from the purchaser.